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FREE Wi-Fi At Fresno Yosemite International Airport

Fresno, CA (February 1, 2010) – Passengers traveling through Fresno Yosemite International Airport can now access the internet for FREE from their wireless communication devices.

The convenience of wireless typically comes with a high price tag. The airport previously had a paid-for-use wireless service, facilitated by an outside contractor. The pay network was not much of a success. Passengers were reluctant to pay for the service when they are in and out in less than two hours.

The use of existing hardware and open source software presented an opportunity for the Airport to offer wireless connectivity for FREE to passengers and guests with minimal costs for the bandwidth.

"The overall cost to implement the free service is minimal when you consider the convenience and added value for our passengers," Director of Aviation Russ Widmar stated. "As wireless connectivity becomes more mainstream equal access is important to the constituency we serve."

Eight carriers currently offer Valley passengers approximately 42 daily departures from Fresno. Fresno Yosemite International is a municipally owned entity operating as a self-supporting enterprise. No City of Fresno general funds are used to operate Fresno Yosemite International or Fresno Chandler Executive Airport.